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The State of Texas House of Representatives December 30, 2003

Mark McClellan M.D. Commissioner FDA Food and Drug Administration 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

Dear Commissioner McClellan:

Please do not allow the "morning after" pill to be made available over the counter. We do not need another way to kill innocent babies just to further the notion of uninhibited sex.

Planned Parenthood and similar organizations have pushed the notion of "sexual freedom." Where has it gotten us? It has given us teenage pregnancies and teenagers with sexually transmitted diseases along with lower self esteem and depression. It has given us a skyrocketing divorce rate - no longer are people allowed to feel content with their spouse, but they must go out and explore new sexual horizons. It has given us an increase in children who are raised by only one parent - which limits the child's potential, lowers their self worth, and places increased burden on the parent. And certainly not least of all, it has given us an increase in the killing of millions of babies by abortion - which has both physical and psychological effects on the woman, not to mention what it does to the baby.

Why would you want to not only go further down this horrible road but widen it for more traffic? Please don't do it.

Respectfully,

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